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I have the honour to refer to Security Council resolution 1181 (1998) of 13 July 1998, by which the Security Council decided to establish the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone (UNOMSIL), which shall include up to 70 United Nations military observers and a small medical unit.

Following the usual consultations, I propose that China, Egypt, India, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, New Zealand, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Zambia be included in the list of countries contributing military personnel to the Observer Mission.

As indicated in paragraph 67 of my report dated 9 June 1998 (S/1998/486) on Sierra Leone, the Chief Military Observer will be Brigadier-General Subhash C. Joshi (India), who has been serving as team leader of the small military liaison cell deployed to Sierra Leone pursuant to resolution 1162 (1998) of 17 April 1998.

I should be grateful if you would bring this matter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) Kofi A. ANNAN

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